Here shall the Press the Pespie's rights mainte Unaw'd by party, and unbribed by gain, Pledged but to Truth, to Liberty and Law, No Parcy may an, and no Pear shall awe.

INDEPENDENT

Let Us Keep United!

For Representatives-10th District. ROBERT MORROW. C. H. BRANSCOMBE. LEVI WOODWARD. F. F. BRUNER. P. H. BERKAU. SAMUEL SHORE. J. B. HOVEY, JOHN LOCKHART.

The Candidates Many of our readers, necessarily, are ignorant of the candidates who are submitted to them for their suffrages on the 4th of October next, for seats in the Territorial Legislature. Having been personally acquainted with all of them, save thoroughly posted in their political his-

Messrs. Morrow and Branscomez are of that city, in opposition to the Republican party, and as such we most cordially endorse them Mr BRANSCOMBE is conare to be proscribed for ultraism or conservatism, so long as they plant themselves unnecessary to review them in this at greater length.

sas. Efforts have been, and will continue us, and ensure our own defeat, to be made to place him in a false posi-

character, an excellent business man, and that "Half a loaf is better than no bread." one who is always prompt to look after A party which engrafts many projects beyond the limits of the Territory. Those the PROPLE will elect him.

and his name is familiar to all the earlier up, and is made to yield fruit and vegetwas required, Capt. Shore was called up- qualified to accomplish another.

man will hesitate to support him.

Mesars, Lockhart and Hovey were the regular nominees of the first and only regular Free State Convention legitimately called in Johnson county. They stand squarely upon the Free State platform, and will, as in the past, labor to advance time, yet like the other candidates, they An attempt was made in Johnson county, by a Republican wire-puller, to throw these men over-board, and the Republican Convention, held in Lawrence, on the

Taking the ticket all in all, we cannot

made. If we wish to prevent the wild and inconsiderate legislation of last winter, the public will rally around the ticket the position of Judge Douglas relative to a man. It was the Topeka fection, in to the Dred Scott decision. In a discusthat session, as all the world are conscious, sion with Mr. Lincoln, at Jonesboro, Ill., who were responsible for the crazy legis. on the 15th of September, he is reported lation of that session, and it was the op- in the Chicago Times of the Friday folpopents of that measure who labored to lowing, as having said the same thing in restrain it and keep it within the limits substance. He remarked :of its legitimate duty.

Worth Considering,

ized at Big Springs, in the fall of 1855. of freedom to a great Territory, considerably larger in extent than the six New had we connected ourself with only Free- las' squatter sovereignty position, and yet we should have been borne down by the been made to advance the cause of freeunited Pro-slavery party. So with those dom. Had the Missouri compromise who desired to make Kansas a free State never been repealed, we are firm in the it. It has thus far done so.

We were, and are still, an anti-black strictions being laid upon the freedom of souri. Mr. Woodward, for a series of years, and thought better to wave this question man because of color, and yet it was until Kansas was made free to ourselves. tory, a few words from us may not be inthe regular Free State nominees, of Law- question. Personally, we are in favor of has the honor of suggesting the manne rence, presented by the Free State party extending the right of suffrage to every of meeting the matter legally. It will be sidered rather radical by some, and is, no States, without regard to sex or color .- that question is but a natural offshoot of doubt, such; but the Free State party is And yet we do not now urge this position his popular sovereignty position. made up of different elements, and none upon our readers, because we know it would distract the Free State party, and probably injure the prospects of making on the Free State platform, and do service Kansas a Free State to even the white in its ranks. We have spoken of these males. We are in favor of a stringent progentlemen in another article, hence it is hibitory liquor law, and in due time shall urge that question, and shall refuse to vote or any man for office, who will not do all in F. F. BRUNER, Esq., is a native of Penn- his power to secure the early passage of such sylvania, a genuine Free State man, who a law; and yet we are opposed to urging will pledge himself to do all in his power it at question now, because just as honest as to the abstract question of whether to make Kausas a Free State. His sym- Free State men as we have in the party pathies have been with the Democrats, would oppose the measure, and if that but, like thousands of others, he is none proposition was engrafted upon the Free the less an advocate of freedom for Kan- State party we should drive them from

Plutarch says: "A wise and successful tion, but it will be the fault of the people general, to attain an-end, will abandon a if they are deceived in the premises. He part to secure a part, and thus having gained local legislation as now encourages or is a gentleman of decided ability, and just a position is better able to secure, at ansuch a man as is wanted in the Legisla- other time, the balance of his desires. If ture to aid in forming a good code of laws he caunot take the main citadel at first, in the place of the rickety ones now on he will content himself with taking the lesser ones until he is protected from with-P. H. BERKAU, Esq., of Bloomington, out, or augmented with sufficient force to formerly of Indiana, is one of the best men | enable him to fully triumph over his enein Kansas. A gratleman in his inter- mies." In every day life this principle course with all men, of unimpeachable is illustrated by the well known maxim

his own business, fully "capable and hon- in a platform at the same time, is almost holding slave property in Kansas are est, and faithful" to the Free State par- sure of defeat. Like the man who en- urged to consider this as prophetic, if they ty, he is just the man of all men for ters the wilderness to clear away the forest the post to which he is nominated. - trees for a farm. He looks upon the in spite of the Dred Scott decision, under He stands squarely upon the Free State giant trees, and desires them to be replatform, and will do all in his power to moved, but as he cannot cut them all free as is the State of Ohio. Reader, bear the banner of the party aloft UNTIL down at once, he thinks it idle to make mark our assertion. WE ARE A STATE IN THE UNION. He is the effort, while the man with less physsustained by his neighbors, and has been ical ability enters an adjoining tract, and named by them for the office to which commences chopping away upon a single tree. Blow after blow is dealt upon the of the earliest advocates of a Free State, him, years pass on and the farm is cleared him, there he labors. If any hard service kinds. One good attained we are better affices-mere opposition to the Democ-

on, and, like our own Capt, WALKER, he But here in Kansas, while we are strughas been found true to his trust. Let the gling with might and main to lay the to re-organize the Free State party in this to grind," cannot vote for him, and will people show their appreciation of his foundations of civil and religious freedom, county, on the Big Springs platform—a not do so, while the pleasing address, the tions. past services by placing him in a position and that is the principal question at issue, platform where Free State Whigs, Demoof honor, where he can still further serve it is proposed to organize a new party, em- crats, Freesoilers, and Native and Natu-LEVI WOODWARD, of Eudora, though one half of our number from us, and give secure freedom to a great State, not to a man. The same is true of Capt. Shore, nominated by the Republican Conven-us no new strength in return. Instead of oppose and quarret with a party organized of Prairie City. The candidates of the tion, is opposed to the organization of limiting the contest to Kansas, it is pro- in the States, or to furnish political capithat party until we have fully arrived at posed to go outside of Kansas, and labor tal for another party. Whilst we could The candidates of the Republican Conthe goal to which we are destined. He for the freedom of other Territories than endorse the sentiment enunciated in sevis unwilling to desert the old ship now, our own; and this, while we have not a eral, and probably all, of the resolutions must rely for support on those who do not when victory is within our grasp. He single vote in Congress, or in the electoral adopted at that Convention, save its enwishes to share with our co-laborers the college of the United States! It is mad-dorsement of a Republican organization, If there is no trading off, no exchanging honors of the victory, and is unwilling to ness-it is suicidal to do this, and so a in Kansas, prior to our admission into the or trafficking in votes; if those who disdrive any from the party. Mr. Wood- large majority-all the old settlers-feel | Union as a State, yet we pronounce them, like Townsend, and vote for Mr. BRUNES, wanp is the man for the crisis, and no the matter, but politicians, or those who under the circumstances, as unwise in the against him, will do themselves the jus-States are just, and were we a resident of any of them, we should be as loud-mouthed in their favor as the most radical man its principles. Republicans at the proper among them-yes, we should be known of all men, and rejoice in the title of prefer the old organization, and unity of "Black Republican," but while a citizen setion, to a new organization and division, of this Territory, we will occupy no such position until Kansas is a State within the we stand alone, and "fight, from this out,

In the "nineteen disfranchised 20th of September, so far endorsed this counties" the Free State party nominated action as to refer the matter back to the for the Legislature, at Ottumwa, on the Free State party of Johnson county who 21st of September, the following ticket, last week, say:endorsed the Republican platform adopted at to wit: T. B. Roberts, Esq., of Fort this interference in the affairs of Johnson

They will have raised are all good and reliable Free State men.

They names of the original Free State nom
They seed men and true "seed m inees, "good men and true," and we shall State Sheriff of Bourbon county; Mr. Mesers Ross favored this Republica be greatly disappointed if they are not Batter is a little tinctured with a desire organization, "which," according to their elected. Mr. Locanant was a Represent to organize a Republican party, while Mr. own showing, "is as much a scramble for atives last winter in the Territorial Legis. Spances is said to be a very good man, by office as for principle." We do not wish lature, and made a valuable member. his political opponents, though we know to associate ourself with such a party at nee county nominating convention, which and lying circulars and handbills which in the field. A few wire-pullers at Gard-Mr. Hover resides at Spring Hill, and is nothing of him personally. The ticket this time, neither do our readers. They met in Brownville on the 22d inst. Gro. will be circulated by the "Ultra Radicals" ner, who have made all the disturbance. just such a man as we are proud to sus. will be elected by an overwhelming ma- have been struggling too long for a PRIN- B. Holmes, of the Indiana Settlement, on the eve of the election, as they are de- in that county in the past, and who are

In a short article below we "The absence of local legislation

encourage and support slave property in a Territory excludes it practically just as effectually as if there was a positive con-When the Free State party was organyou cannot maintain slavery a day in a all who became connected with that party | Territory where there is an unwilling peosurrendered, for the time being, a portion ple and unfriendly legislation. If the of his private views, without, however, people are opposed to it, our right is a bandoning his principles colleged to it, our right is a Free State Ticket! abandoning his principles, only neglecting they are for it, they will support and en courage it. We come right back, thereperiod, not that he would not revive their fore, to the practical question, if the peoagitation again in the future, but a great have it, and if they do not want it, you public good was to be accomplished, and cannot force it on them. And this is the that, no less than securing the blessings practical question, the great principle upon which cur institutions rest.

With the Dred Scott decision we take England States. As an old Freesoiler, the broadest issue, as we did to Mr. Dougsoilers, we should have been powerless, for the squatter sovereignty principle has from all other parties. But by each sur- conviction that Kansas would have been rendering a portion of his preferences for made a Slave State by the natural worka time, we formed a party which was a ing of the laws of emigration, just as the host in itself, and able to sweep all before Platte Purchase became densely populated with slaves, though still under the operations of the Missouri Compromise law man, and expect, in due time, to do all it never having been formally repealed in our power to aid in preventing any re- so far as relates to that portion of Mis-

The Dred Scott decision will have similar effect upon the country and the Territories. We, in Kansas, and the peonot labor as effectually for the freedom of will discuss the question, and arouse the others, hence our present silence on this public mind against it, and Judge Douglas human being, as soon as they arrive to a met in Kansas, not at the ballot box, but proper age, who can read and write, and silently and effectually in the next Terri has read the Constitution of the United torial Legislature. Douglas' position on

Senator Douglas, in our opinion, expresses the true mode for the people of the Territories to meet the Dred Scott decision. He said on the 27th of August last, in a public speech :-

"In my opinion, the people of a Terriore it comes in as a Slave State. Whatever the Supreme Court may decide slavery may go in under the Constitution or not, the people of a Territory have the lawful means to admit or exclude slavery. "Slavery cannot exist a day anywhere, unless supported by local police regula-tions. These regulations can only be furtions. These regulations can on nished by the local Legislature."

The Legislature of Kansas cannot neglect, at its next session, to take away such more. It will throw pains and penalties around the institution; it will give the negro the right to defend his person from assaults upon him by his master : it will. in short, make him a freeman, and that without provision of recompence! The underground railroad will be thrown upon the surface, and cars will run in open day to carry passengers, now held as slaves, please, for it will surely be realized, and

Won't Stand on that Platform

We hope early measures will be taken his past history, unless they have an "axe bedying new principles which will drive ralized citizens can labor together to him, and they will rally to his support to wish to appear as such, are bending all extrems, uncalled for, and calculated in the energies of their natures to build up their tendency to wreck the cause for Messrs. Berkau, Shore, Lockhart, Hoamong us a Republican party with Re- which we have so long struggled. The ver, &c., and the same with the friends publican issues. Those issues in the whole design of the movement was to of Mesars. Benkau, Shore, &c., adding give "aid and comfort" to the Republican the names of all the other candidates, Mr.

We shall follow no such leaders as those on our own hook.'

Messrs. W. W. & E. G. Ross, in their valedictory in the Topeks Tribune, though

"From the first Monday in August our

policy. A larger vote would have been cirtle, to back down from it acce, and place was put in nomination by the radicals.—

Signed to mislead the public mind, and attached to the Republican wing of the We have not learned who was nominated induce votes for the Republican platform free State party, have put in nomination ticket.

The policy of the Republican platform is now in the results of the Republican platform induce votes for the Republican platform and its nomination and its no

US KEEP UNITED!



## ADDRESS

To the Electors of DOUGLAS and JOHNSON Counties :

In the month of September, 1855, the Free State men of Kansas met in Convention at Big Springs, and laid down a platform of principles. That Convention was composed of men who hitherto had belonged to the different political parties of the country. Democrats, Whigs, Free Soilers, Native and Naturalized Citizens met on one common Platform, and pledged themselves to work together until Kansas should be safely moored in the Union a free and sovereign State. The integrity and compactness of this great Free State party of Kansas has been preserved up to the present time, through the memorable contests which have distinguished the history of this Territory since that party was organized. The Free State banner has been borne aloft, and to-day we witness the splendid results of the unity and courage and resolution of the Free State men of Kansas.

In the compromise of all parties in favor of a Free State, by which the Free State organization was created and kept up, we behold the chief agency in the utter defeat and overthrow of the Border Ruffian dynasty. Now, when we are about to reap the rich rewards of compromise and constancy, is it right, is it safe, to dissolve the old FREE STATE PARTY, and leave its elements to seek their former affinities? Is it right and just that Democrats, Whigs, Free Soilers, Native and Adopted Citizens should be excluded from participation in the final triumph of popular sovereignty, when they have borne their share of the toils and burdens of the Kansas struggle. We know that the patriotic masses of Kansas are firm in their adhesion to the principles of the OLD Free State party. and that all issues which will tend to separate that organization will be, for the present, thrown aside.

The County Convention which met at Lawrence, on the 20th inst., in a great measure ignored the old platform, and have taken a long stride towards the disintegration of the Free State party. We address you as men who have fought and won under the old Free State banner. We adjure you to stand by your pledge and covenant, entered into at Big Springs, in the Autumn of 1855. Make no party tests, but integrity and devotion to the interests of freedom in Kansas. Support those men, without regard to Convention nominations, who will stand by the doctrines of the Free State party; and when Kansas shall have been admitted into the sisterhood of States, with Freedom on her escutcheon, then your mission as a Free State party will be ended. Until then, preserve the old banner, and shout the old war cry.

The ticket which was put in nomination at Lawrence, on the 20th inst., is not a true Free State ticket. Complaints are coming from every precinct against the action of that Convention. The Platform which was originally adopted at Big Springs, and which has been affirmed at every Free State Convention since, has been utterly ignored. The action of that Convention, therefore, is not binding upon the people.

We present you, fellow citizens, with a ticket of staunch and reliable Free State men; men who are honest, capable and devoted to the interests of Kansas, and who care less for the success of parties outside of

Then to the ballot box, and elect these men, and avow your disapproval of the conduct of your Delegates, who met at Lawrence, on the 20th inst

"A Day of Reckoning." The Independent Free State Ticket Never have we seen such a tornado of The platform adopted at the Free State, will be elected on Monday next, if the opposition excited against a political par-

"FRANKLIN, Sept. 28, 1858.

alius Republican Convention, held on the friends of each independent candidate sus- ty as is now setting against those who or-SAMUEL SHORE, of Prairie City, was one trunk, tree after tree is prostrated before 20th inst., is a continuous drive at the tains the other independent candidates as ganized the Republican party in this city, Democratic party, and nothing else. We they should do. For instance : the popu- on the 20th of September. The best men should suppose the author of that plat- lar feeling in Mr. Townsend's own precinct in the country say they will not sustain settlers in the Territory. Through every ables, a veritable Eien. But his neigh- form had but one idea, and that a hatred is very decided against him, and we have such a ticket, on such a Platform. Many phase of our history he has been with the bor's lands exist in all their wildness, in- of Democracy. The platform of the Free no doubt, almost to a man, will vote for of the delegates to that Convention say party, standing by and defending it through capable of yielding a single product for State party was POSITIVE in its character; Mr. BRUNER. In the Bloomington pre- they did not know the candidates who calm and storm. He is no "summer the comfort or convenience of man. It but that of the Republican party, as or. cinct, every man we have yet seen from were brought forward, and merely voted friend," but wherever his sympathies lead is so in politice as well as reforms of all ganized last Monday, is a bundle of neg- that precinct has declared it his intention for them because others represented them to vote for Mr. BERKAU. Those who as good men. They will do ail, consisknow Mr. CURTIS personally, and know tent with their position, to defeat the success of those unworthy candidates, and will sustain the Independent nominaurbanity, and the intelligence of Mr. BERas follows :-

> know them. FRIEND BROWN :- As great dissatisfac-BRUNER included, then we are certain of a complete victory; then there can be no doubt of the result. We feel sanguine of success, in view of the fact that the countries a goodly number for themselves, in view of the fact that the countries and then nominate them now for Lawrence is nothing we should so much desire, as a send then nominate them. party in the States. Its effect will be the BRUNER included, then we are certain of opposite, else we mistake the signs of the a complete victory; then there can be no which controlled that convention, though

Independent Ticket by four to five huntoritten sometime ago, but only published dred majority - mark that, ye demagogues of Douglas county, who thought to enslave the Free State voters of Johnfairs, and they will show it by their votes next Monday.

by the Free State party proper.

remembered, made an exceedingly radi- in nomination two candidates, to be supcal speech in this city a few evenings ago, ported, with other candidates from Doug-telling the people of Lawrence what kind las county, by the Free State voters of of a platform they should stand upon, the the 10th Representative District, for seats of our Atchison cotemporary. first plank of which, he declared, should in the Territorial Legislature. They sebe opposition to the Democratic party; and lected two of their best men, and the Exthe second, opposition to the Dred Scott ecutive Committee made out a certificate. decision. The reverend gentleman, it setting forth the facts in regard to the seems, has succeeded in carrying his point holding of the Delegate Convention, and n Leavenworth and Douglas counties, the result of the same in the selection of and has organized his Republican party John Lockhart and J. B. Hovey, Esqs., this time. It would be impossible to proin each of those counties. It is well, then, for that post, and forwarded it to the to know something of his proclivities. Douglas County Convention, where it was Whether the Herald furnishes it, we are read in full. not prepared to say, though we have al- The latter Convention, professing to b ways understood that Mr. Johnson came Free State when it assembled, but which, to Kansas a pro-slavery man, and brought chamelion-like, changed its hue during some thirty slaves with him; that he la- its progress, which met in Lawrence the least particle of hope, to make Kan- ing those nominees, as they should have sas a Slave State; that when hope died done, if it was truly a Free State Convenout, he suddenly became a Free State tion, passed a series of Resolutions which remely auxious to organize a Republican ber of the Free State party, whose symparty, and to push matters to extremes. pathies have been with the Democrats, calism. As we have stated more than They did more, and virtually placed themonce : A Free State man going South and selves on the Republican platform. This frequently, in the great contest between Convention, nominate two candidates and Henderson, Col. Titus, Calhoun, and many vention represents the genuine Free State others, all of whom were from the North- party, as organized at Big Springs, and on

cribes a person of this character.

answer these questions before he can prove his conservative position before the slavery man, was such : but changed

"He says he is a mechanic, and express tions, and not by words. he is opposed to slave labor being brought in competition with white labor, and yet, this same hyprocrite worked a larger gang of negroes in this city than any man in the county, and still works this same gang upon his farm, in direct competition wit white labor. Out upon him then, for rickester, a turncoat, an animated of inconsistencies, an aspirant for office, who deserts every honorable instinct to

We do not undertake to say whether the Herald man is too severe on Mr. Johnson or not, but we may be allowed to say that we have observed that all the new converts to a new party, for instance those from the Democratic party going over to the Republican, almost invariably plant themselves upon more extreme positions than those who have been laboring in the same party since its organization Messrs, Giddings, Gerrit Smith and Gov. Chase of Ohio, who have been for a lifetime fighting the slave power, are quite moderate in their views compared with some recent converts to the Republican party, from the Democratic party, who have been violent in their denunciati of these men, and we might furnish some notable examples, did we desire to.

Here, too, in Kausas, those who came

here to make Kansas a Free State, when

Letters are before us from several precincts, showing the state of feeling in down, and who labored through good and their respective localities. We select one, evil report, hazarding their lives, properwritten by one of the most reliable Free ty, everything for the cause, and who State men in the country, and a former have pursued a consistent course from the under the Topeka Constitution. He writes ject which brought them here, and ever abroad. struggling to hasten the contest to a final issue as soon as possible, find themselves outdone by such men as Rev. H. P. Johntion exists in this precinct respecting the Platform and nominations made at Lawreuce on the 20th inst., I thought it but mer, because they will not "step to the proper to communicate the same to the music" of these new converts, are read public through your paper. Though we out of the party, and journalists of this have a voting population in the precinct of over one hundred, and are Free State men up to the hub, yet the wire-pullers in Lawrence so manage it that we are their teachings, as ten chances to one, the people of that town, and one which always silenced in our political Conven- like Pat Laughlin, a few years ago, they can hardly be tolerated. Franklin has tions. Your city so arranges it that they will go back to the enemy when their and then nominate them, not for Lawrence only, but for the whole county. Thus men Republican organization, as it would prowire-workers in Lawrence, who have been running off "after strange gods," not the property.

Johnson county will be carried for the Ludgerendent Tinker by four to find the field, and I assure you, and through you, the public that in this received to the property.

Thus men duce division in the Free State party, and enable the pro-slavery party, in many districts of the Territory, to triumph over the field, and I assure you, and through you, the public that in this received to the party of Freedom. Those who wish you, the public, that in this precinct ten to encourage this pro-slavery movement, votes will not be polled for the Wire-Pulled on by Mr. Johnson, should not fail to lers, alias Republican ticket. It is time a reckoning was had with those who would politically enslave us, and next Monday is a very suitable time to have it.

"Say to the other precincts in this Representative District that Franklin will do her share in restoring the Big Springs Platform, and in sustaining the original ination of Messra, LOCKHART and HOVEY, called under the insulting instruction the Republican Convention of Douglas him the greatest coward in all the West. be so ungrateful, so false to their true me 65 Look out for fraudulent reports, county, and have them still as candida

The Free State party of Johnson coun-The Leavenworth Herald is right seere on Rev. H. P. Johnson, the present ty, in a fair and impartial Convention, leader of the Republican party in Leaven- convened at the instance of the Free State worth county. Mr. Johnson, it will be Executive Committee of that county, put Territories.—Freedom's Champion

ored unremittingly, as long as there was the 20th of September, instead of endors nan, and now is an "ultra radical." ex- necessarily were obnoxious to every memf the Herald's statements are true, it ex- though acting with the Free State party lains the reason of Mr. Johnson's radi- to aid in making Kansas a Free State ecoming a pro-slavery man, is the most done, they then, insultingly, told the repltra person to be met with. He will do resentatives of Johnson county, who were coner things, and get down lower to ad- present, to go back to their constituents. vauce the cause of slavery, than the most | call a new Convention, and, allowing those iltra man "to the manor born." This only to vote who stood on the Republican was observed and remarked upon by us platform endorsed by the Douglas County reedom and Slavery in 1855-56. We the nominees thus brought forward should night illustrate this in the case of Jack be placed upon their ticket. If this Conwhose platform every true member of the What is true of Northern men, in this party has stood and done such gallant serespect, is also true of those from the vice, why not refer the matter, if a dis-South, who have always been great pute arose, to those who stood on that ticklers for the slavery propagandi, but platform only, and not form a new platwho have been expelled for some cause, form, with a narrow base, which must from the party. In order to gain po- drive one-third or one-half of the memsition in the new party, they take the bers of the party from it, and then refer nost extreme grounds, and actually out- it to the balance? What right had Doug-Herod Herod in their desire to succeed, las county to frame a platform of princi-Pollock's Hyprocrite probably best de- ples for the Free State party of Johnson county? They have arrogated to them-The Herald inquires, "what plank did selves much in regard to the politics of Mr. Johnson first stand upon when he made Kansas, and have made the balance of the his advent into the Territory?" and con- Territory dance attendance on them for years; and yet, when thrown into an or-"What plank did he stand on when he ganization with another county, it was was in favor of making the Planter's Ho-not supposed they would assume so much was in favor of making the Flance hotel; as to attempt to govern that county by of allowing none but pro-slavery men to work upon its construction, and making it a stopping place for Southern men? What plank did he stand upon when he much right to frame a platform of prin-What plank did he stand upon when he much right to did to build a Southern Methodist ciples for Douglas county, as the latter church? What plank did he stand upon had to frame one for the former—more,

for the purpose of raising men and money in fact, for the Johnson County Convento make Kansas a Slave State? He must tion was first called and held, The Free State men of Johnson counpeople. His course is that of many others ty organized themselves into a body to and the Republicans. Which would be but if they should endorse the Republi-or in the Legislature, it is difficult to forees a great love for this class. This he can platform of Douglas county, they tel. Republicans in the States, ignorant of may entertain, but let him prove it by ac- would be required to abandon the object the true state of things here, and desirous He says that of their organization, change front, "and of the early organization of their favorite wage an eternal war on the DEMOCRATIC PARTY." This is what was required of as they should the candidates in Douglas discarding all local issues, and all minor questions, they should plant themselves on the platform of freedom made at Big Springs, and though personally opposed Mr. LOCKHART or Mr. Hovey, they should rally around and sustain them, and the whole "INDEPENDENT FREE STATE at another time.

son county, nominated two candidates, lie mind with falsehood. The const one of whom is a good and true man, and a quence is, the Republicans in the Est personal friend of ours, and a gentleman who rely upon those journals for informswe should love to see in the Territorial tion, are constantly misled. They should Legislature ; but with all our kind regards | see and know this for themselves, and for Mr. Holmes, and the many friends he yet it does seem that they will never represents, we cannot feel, in view of the become conscious of it. ourse of the Douglas County Convention, Let us "atick together" through calm that we can sustain him, even should he and storm until the end for which be re-nominated at the third Convention. have so long labored is fully attained. At another time, we will urge his claims, the "fire-eaters" wish to go out, it is well and do all in our power to press upon the they should, and if they please to orpeople of Johnson county the duty of ganize Republican parties, as they did placing him in such a position as he as- in Douglas county the other day, let th pires to; but we could not consent to see fire-eaters sustain it while the moderate him, or any other PRIEND of ours, sacri- conservative, and truly honest Pres State ficed upon the Douglas County Platform .- men will continue to labor in the racks It will be repudiated as a bastard at home; where duty and inclination demand the beginning, ever keeping in mind the ob. it should be treated as basely illegitimate services.

An Outrage We regret to learn, that, in consequence of the action of those having authority in the premises, no polls have been provided for in the Franklin precinct, and that the voters of that place, in order to one hundred voters, and yet they are compelled to travel four or five miles to cast their ballots, when they are justly entitled to a poll at their own door. In our county convention, and everywhere, Franklin is, to all intents and purposes, disfranchised. We urgently appeal to the voters of that vicinity to come to Lawrence this time. and aid in defeating the dynasty which has produced this state of things. If the Independent Ticket is successful, we pledge them that they shall have their rights so soon as they can be reached by legislation, or through other legal means.

65 Col. Titus, instead of being destined for Arizona, it seems, is making his way to Sonora to conquer that province. and burden of the day had passed," what He is represented as a man of courage, the principal contest was ended! Can the but from personal observation we believe propose of Douglas and Johnson counts

The health of the editor is fully estored, as the large amount of editoria all written by him, fully proves.

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"The Free State party fought only for the freedom of Kansas. That has been achieved. The Republican party fight for the freedom of Kansas and all the

The above text seems to us a fruitful subject for remark at this time, and right glad were we to find it in the last number

Mr. MARTIN sees what is not to be seen when he declares that the object of the Free State organization has been accomplished. That will not be until we are a free State in the Union. This cannot be in less than a year and a quarter from vide for a new Convention, call that body together, frame a new Constitution, and Resent it to Congress, and get it ratified by that body after having been ratified by the people of Kansas, between the man ing of the Territorial Legislature in Jan. nary next, and the adjournment of Con. gress on the 4th of March following in two months from the convening of the Legislature. Such being the case, we have from the time of the assembling of the Legislature in January to the meeting of the next Congress in December, (being eleven months,) in which to provide for and make a new Constitution. Then being ample time, we shall expect to see a good Constitution framed. During all that time the object of the Free State party has not "been achieved," and he who s a member of that party is guilty of treason to it who attempts to overthrow it "The Republican party," says the Champion, "fights for the freedom of Kan-

ses and all the Territories." Until we are a State in the Union, with a vote on the floor of Congress, and in the electoral college, we should like to know how we can "fight for freedom" in any other Territory than Kansas. We have no power Though every voter in Kansas were a Republican, and all a perfect unit, ver they cannot effect the Territories of the United States, other than Kansas, until we are a State. It is the hight of nonsence to talk about the formation of parties on a national basis until we can participate in national politics. Until then, every local interest will have its friends, and every candidate will find supporter in the opposite party, and the struggle will lie between circumstances more tha between national party lines.

Suppose the Free State party should disband, and resolve itself into its original elements? We have at once the Republican party, and the Democratic and American parties. The Democratic party will receive at least one-third of the present Free State party when the division shall be made, provided a liberal platform is adopted. They will be joined by the entire Pro-slavery party of Kansas, and, in most of the counties, will make the contest nearly equal between that party ery party, and make Kansas a Free State; most votes in a Constitutional Convention party in Kansas, are little conscious of the real injury they are doing the cause of them from the Douglas County Conven- freedom by their unwise suggestions and tion. They should spurn that platform, solicitations in the premises. Those they have been in the habit of giving credit to county standing upon it; and, as one man, in the past, Dr. Rominson, Gen. Pomp-ROY. Gen. SCHUYLER, Gov. ROBERTS, and others are resting under the ban of pr scription by new comers who never can be conscious of the struggle through which we have passed. They hold, to a large extent, the organs of public informationthe Press-in their hands; and from the Ticker, and redress their own grievances first these men have falsified the facts, not, perhaps, intentionally, but as effectually The several Conventions called in John- as though they desired to pollute the pub-

"It is the longest pole which takes the persimmons," say the boys, and the largest number of votes next Monday elect the candidates of the party receiving them. Those in favor of deserting the Free State party, and going over to the Republicans, will vote the Republican nominees, Townsend, Curtis and Cannif. Those who wish to stand with the part of freedom, which has wrested our Ter ritorial government from the hands of the slave power, and which proposes to make and preserve it, to the latest posterity. Free State, will rally around and sustain by their votes and influence, the Isd pendent Free State ticket, composed tried and true men, who have been with us in the hour of trial; who have sact ficed everything for the cause, and whom the people feel anxious to show their gards for by placing them in the Territa rial Legislature. Look at Capt, SAMUEL SHO

one hand, and contrast his labors and said rifices with these of Dr. Canniff, on th other. One has been with us from the beginning, and has done all that me could do for the cause ; the other is and comer, arriving among us after the "hes people of Douglas and Johnson counties as to neglect them at a time like this

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